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In re Application of:

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

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UNDER 37 CFR § 1.313

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the above identified application is being withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.313.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue. The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and the Notice of Allowability mailed March 06, 2003, are hereby vacated.

The application is being withdrawn to permit reopening of prosecution. The reasons therefor will be communicated to you by the examiner.

The issue fee is refundable upon request. However, the applicant may wait until the application is either again found allowable or held abandoned. If the application is allowed, upon receipt of a new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, applicant may request that the previously submitted issue fee be applied toward payment of the issue fee in the amount identified on the new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due. If the application is abandoned, the applicant may request either a refund or a credit to a Deposit Account.

Telephone inquires should be directed to Robert Kim, Supervisory Patent Examiner, at (703) 305-3492.

The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action.

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